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FROM NEW ORLEANS 89-68

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
DALLAS, TEXAS, NOV. TWENTYTWO, SIXTYTHREE, MISCELLANEOUS-
INFO CONCERNING, OO: DALLAS.

THE NEW ORLEANS STATES ITEM, FINAL EDITION FOR MAY
SIXTEEN INSTANT, CARRIED A LEAD ARTICLE WHICH STATES THAT
DA JIM GARRISON ACCUSED THE U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL OF
ATTEMPTING TO USURP THE POWER OF COURTS TO DECIDE WHO WILL
AND WILL NOT TESTIFY BEFORE GRAND JURY. THE ARTICLE NOTED
THIS CHARGE WAS MADE IN ANSWER TO A U.S. GOVERNMENT MOVE
TO PREVENT SA REGIS KENNEDY FROM TESTIFYING IN THE DA'S
INVESTIGATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION. THE
ARTICLE ALSO NOTED THAT SA KENNEDY HAD BEEN SUBPOENAED
TO TESTIFY LAST WEEK BUT THE USA HAD FILED A MOTION TO
DISMISS THE CALL FOR TESTIMONY ON THE CONTENTION THAT KENNEDY
WAS PREVENTED FROM TESTIFYING BY THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT
EXECUTIVE ORDER.

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THE ARTICLE ADVISED THAT THERE WERE NO ORAL ARGUMENTS TODAY BEFORE CRIMINAL DISTRICT JUDGE BERNARD J. BAGERT BY EITHER THE DA'S OFFICE OR THE U.S. GOVERNMENT ATTORNEYS. THE ARTICLE SAID THAT JUDGE BAGERT HAD SET A FORMAL HEARING FOR TEN AM, MAY SEVENTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN AND THAT ACCORDING TO THE ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, KENNEDY WOULD APPEAR AND TESTIFY IF THE JUDGE ORDERS HIM TO.

THE ARTICLE CONTINUED THAT GARRISON'S OFFICE HAS CLAIMED THAT THE U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS NOT SHOWED HE IS CLAIRVOYANT AND GIFTED WITH THE POWER OF PROPHECY AND THAT HE IS WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION OR AUTHORITY TO PREDICT THE QUESTIONS TO BE PRONOUNCED TO SA KENNEDY BY THE ORLEANS PARISH GRAND JURY.

THE ARTICLE ALSO NOTED THAT THE ATTORNEYS FOR THE GOVERNMENT IN AN AMENDMENT TO THEIR MOTION HAD FILED CLIPPINGS FROM LOCAL NEWSPAPERS WHICH THEY SAID ALLEGED THAT KENNEDY WOULD BE QUESTIONED ABOUT "THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY".

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THE ARTICLE ALSO STATED THAT ACCORDING TO A STATEMENT RELEASED BY THE CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION OF LOUISIANA (CLU) THE CLU CRITICIZED GARRISON AND AUTHORS JAMES PHOLEN, HAROLD WEISBERG AND MARK LANE, WHO HAD FIGURED IN THE CASE. THE CLU IN ITS STATEMENT SAID IT BELIEVED THAT THE RIGHT OF CLAY SHAW, ACCUSED PRESIDENTIAL ASSASSIN, TO A FAIR TRIAL IS SERIOUSLY IN DANGER. THE CLU POINTED TO RECENT STATEMENTS BY GARRISON IN WHICH GARRISON HAS ACCUSED CIA AND THE FBI OF COVERING UP THE FACTS OF THE ASSASSINATION.

THE ARTICLE ALSO SAID THAT LA. ATTORNEY GENERAL JACK P. GREMILLION IN WASHINGTON, D.C. HAD ANNOUNCED THAT HE KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT A TAPE RECORDING OF AN ALLEGED BRIBE ATTEMPT CHARGED TO THE DA'S OFFICE BY BURTON KLEIN, ATTORNEY FOR ALVIN BEAUBOEUF, ONE TIME ROOMMATE OF DAVID FERRIE. KLEIN IS ALLEGED TO HAVE SAID THAT HE IS SENDING A TAPE RECORDING OF THE BRIBE ATTEMPT TO GREMILLION.

THE ARTICLE CONCLUDED THAT THE ORLEANS PARISH GRAND JURY IS SCHEDULED TO RECEIVE ON MAY SEVENTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN, A RETURN OF A SUBPOENA DELIVERED LAST WEEK TO CIA DIRECTOR

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RICHARD HELMS CONCERNING A PHOTOGRAPH ALLEGEDLY TAKEN OF
LEE HARVEY OSWALD BY CIA IN MEXICO CITY A FEW DAYS BEFORE
THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION .

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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